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June 30, 2000

Mark Dotson Breccia Development, Inc. P.O. Box 492 Milford, Utah 84751

Re:

<u>Deficient Small Mine Notice, Permit Fee Due, Breccia Development, Inc., JB Mine Project, S/001/054, Beaver County, Utah</u>

Dear Mr. Dotson:

On June 14, 2000, the BLM forwarded a copy of your notice of intent to do exploration and mining work at the inactive JB Mine located in Sections 19 and 30, T30S, R17W, Beaver County, Utah. The BLM's designated number for this project is UTU-78612.

The information in the mine notice for the JB Mine is complete; however, payment of the appropriate permit fee is required before this notice can be considered to be in effect under the Division regulations and prior to creating surface disturbances. The Utah Mined Land Reclamation Act of 1975 [40-8-7(1)] provides the authority for fee implementation which was approved by the Utah Legislature at its 1998 session. Commencing July 1, 1998, the fees are assessed to new and existing notices of intention, and annually thereafter. You will need to submit the \$100.00 fee to the Division in order for this notice to be considered in effect. A billing statement is enclosed for your use. (please be advised that billing statements were sent to you on June  $28^{th}$  for all the projects files we have open - the JB project was included in that mailing).

Mr. Dotson, it would expedite things if at the time you sent your notice to the Bureau of Land Management, that you would also make a copy for this Division and include the appropriate permit application fee along with that notice (\$100.00 for exploration or small mining notices). We could then review the notice concurrently with the BLM - this would prevent another 15 day delay in our processing the notice, plus extra delay awaiting receipt of permit fees before we can issue final acceptance.

Your notice did not request any variances. Therefore, we will expect that you comply fully with all the applicable "Operation and Reclamation Practices" as described in the Utah Mined Land Reclamation Rules (a summary is enclosed). If you cannot comply with these operation and reclamation practices, a variance request must be made in writing and approved by this Division. A variance request is not required for those practices which apply to features which are nonexistent at the mine site. For example, a variance to the requirement of permanently sealing shafts or tunnels is not required if the mine operation does not include shafts or tunnels.

Because the BLM has already accepted your notice, please be advised that acceptance of a mining notice by another agency, <u>does not</u> constitute approval to commence operations without first meeting the requirements and receiving written acceptance from the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining. Nor does approval

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of mineral exploration or mining operations by the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining constitute approval to commence operations upon state lands or mineral leases administered by the School and Institutional Trust Lands Administration, or federal lands managed by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) or United States Forest Service (USFS).

Please <u>reference our file number S/001/054</u> regarding this site. Thank you for your cooperation. When in the area, a member of the Division staff will examine the site. Do not hesitate to call me at (801) 538-5321 if you have any questions regarding this letter.

Sincerely

Tom Munson

Senior Reclamation Specialist

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Enclosure: billing statement

cc: Ed Ginouves, BLM (UTU-78612)

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